Sri K. K. HEGDE.—It was not in possession of the State Government. So, it has been formally handed over, because completion of the handing over would take place after assessing the values of the superstructures that are on the spot.

Sri V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—Is the Government aware that the place where Mahatma Gandhi's statue is put up also form part of this land ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—I want notice.

Sri V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—What is the difference between handing over and possession not being taken ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—I would like to make it clear. The land has been transferred to the State Government by the President. The people here in possession of it had some super-structures on it and when the State Government wanted to take over, that objection was there and to get rid of the objection, Correspondence is going on between the State and the Central Governments.

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Sri J. B. MALLARADHYA.—I want to know whether this place where the Cancer Institute is going to be put up and the place where Mahatma Gandhi's statue is now put up, do they not form part of the same area of the land? How does the Minister say that the bit of land where the statue is put up is not given possession ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—Probably the Central Government have permitted, I am not sure, to put up that statue.

Repairs to Araluguppa Tank in Tiptur Taluk.

*Q.—6. Sri K. P. REVANNA SIDDAPPA (Tiptur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that representations are being made since a long time for providing a feeder channel and carrying out repairs to the Araluguppa Tank in Tiptur Taluk ;

(*b*) whether it is also a fact that the survey was conducted five-years ago in this behalf ;

(*c*) the reasons for not executing the above work so far ?

A.—Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA (Minister for Public Works and Electricity).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (*b*).

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಪಿ. ರೇವಣ್ಣಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ.—ಅರ್ಜಿಗಳು ಕೊಟ್ಟರೆ ಏನಾದರೂ ಎಂಡಾರ್ಸ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಕೊಡುತ್ತೀರ?

†ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎಂ. ಚನ್ನಬಸಪ್ಪ.—ಇಲ್ಲಿಯವರೆಗೆ ಈ ವಿಚಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ಅರ್ಜಿಗಳು ಬಂದಿಲ್ಲ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಪಿ. ರೇವಣ್ಣಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ.—ದಾಖಲೆ ಕೊಡುತ್ತೀರ ಅರ್ಜಿಗಳು ಬಂದಿರುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ?

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಆ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ ಬೇರೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಪಿ. ರೇವಣ್ಣಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ.—ಅರ್ಜಿಗಳು ಬಂದಿಲ್ಲ ಎನ್ನುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ದಾಖಲೆ ಏನು ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎಂ. ಚನ್ನಬಸಪ್ಪ.—ನಮ್ಮ ಆಫೀಸಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಇನ್‌ಫರ್ಮೇಷನ್ ಇಲ್ಲದಿರುವುದೇ ದಾಖಲೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಪಿ. ರೇವಣ್ಣಸಿದಪ್ಪ.—ದಾಖಲೆಇಟ್ಟುಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಮುಂದಾದರೂ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೀರ? ಈ ಸ್ಥಳದಲ್ಲಿ ಹದಿನೈದು ದಿವಸ ಕ್ಯಾಂಪ್ ಮಾಡಿ ಸರ್ವೆಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆಂದು ಸಾಕ್ಷಿ ಸಾಹಿತ್ಯದೊಡನೆ ತೋರಿಸಿದರೆ ಒಪಿ ಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೀರ ?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—ಬೇರೆ ಕೆಲಸಕ್ಕೆ ಆಗಿರಬಹುದು, ಆ ಕೆಲಸಕ್ಕೆ ಆಗಿರದೆ ಇರಬಹುದು. You are asking for a survey and it may be for some other purpose, I do not know ; but for the purpose of opening out a feeder channel and for restoring the tank, so far as the information goes, a survey has not been done.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಪಿ. ರೇವಣ್ಣಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ.—ಇನ್ನು ಮುಂದಾದರೂ ಅವರು ಬರೆದಿದ್ದನ್ನು ನಂಬಬೇಡಿ.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—I am sorry ; I take objection to this. When Government says certain facts that must be taken as correct.

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ ಆ ತರಹ ಹಾಕಬಾರದು. ಅದು ಸರಿಯಲ್ಲ. ಹಾಗೆ ನಜೆಷ್ಟ್ ಮಾಡುವುದು ತಪ್ಪು.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—The Hon'ble Member may take other opportunities to ventilate whatever feelings he has.....

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—I rise to a point of order. We the members of this House seek the protection of the Chair. Whatever the Government say, whether true or not, we take it for granted. The Government have said something.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Why 'something'? Take it as a fact.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—Can the Minister treat us like school boys? He said, showing his finger "No ; you must take it like this".

Sri G. VEERAPPA.—The Minister pointing a finger amounts to a gesture that means an offence under 352, I.P.C.

Mr. SPEAKER.—There is no offence at all. Merely because the Minister made a gesture by pointing his finger, it does not mean that he is going to hit anybody. Hon'ble Member Sri Muckannappa or any member need not be so sensitive. In fact, there is no point of order involved.

Sri G. N. PUTTANNA.—A point of information. The Minister said just now whatever answer was given must be taken as a correct one. If one Minister gives some information, another Minister gives a different information on the same issue, could both be taken as true ?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—I was saying that the Hon'ble Member might take other opportunities to ventilate whatever he felts about the answer, but not utilise the question hour.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಪಿ. ರೇವಣ್ಣಸಿದ್ಧಪ್ಪ.—ತಾವು ಟೂರ್ ಮಾಡುವಾಗ ಯಾವ ಕೆರೆಗೆ ಏನಾಗಬೇಕೆಂದು ಭಾಷಣಮಾಡಿ ಬಂದು ಬಿಡುತ್ತೀರಿ. ಆಮೇಲೆ ನಾವು ಹಳ್ಳಿಯಕಡೆ ಸಂಚಾರ ಮಾಡುವುದು ಬಹಳ ಕಷ್ಟ.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Instructions have been issued, whether petitions are given or not, that the officers must investigate all feasible tanks and take them up irrespective of the fact whether they are far or not. But if the Hon'ble Member wants this tank to be taken up, nothing prevents him from approaching the concerned authorities. Even granting that he does not do it, we have already appointed investigating units. They will go and investigate and restore the tanks.

Amount of Grant and Loan given to the Municipality of Melkote Town during 1952-56.

*Q.—14. Sri B. CHAMIAH (Pandavapura).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the total amount of grant and loan given to the Municipality of Melkote town in Pandavapura taluk during the years 1952-56 ;

(*b*) the purpose for which the said amount was sanctioned by the Government ;

(*c*) whether there was any misappropriation of this amount and if so how much ; and the persons responsible for the same ;

(*d*) the action taken by Government against them ?

A.—Sri T. SUBRAMANYA (Minister for Law, Labour and Local Government).—

(*a*) Total amount of grant during 1952-56 : Rs. 20,584.

Loan : Rs. 10,000.

(*b*) Grants were sanctioned for works relating to :

(*i*) formation of roads ;
(*ii*) construction of Bus stand;
(*iii*) formation of new road to the cattle fair ground ; and
(*iv*) for putting up additional taps.

The loan was sanctioned for the construction of shops in the Bus stand.

(*c*) Yes.

The Ex-President of the Municipality has misappropriated Rs. 721-10-9 out of the grant amount.

(*d*) The case is under enquiry before the Court of the First Class Magistrate, Srirangapatna.

†Sri T. SUBRAMANYA.—With reference to answer to (*c*), it must be "The Ex-President of the Municipality has, it is alleged, misappropriated." I add the words "it is alleged".

Mr. SPEAKER.—Before I allow any supplementaries on this question, I would like to know whether the case is pending in a court of law.

Sri T. SUBRAMANYA.—It is pending before a First Class Magistrate.